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**Re: Section 63.71 Application of ABS-CBN Telecom, North America Incorporated**

Dear Secretary Dortch,

Enclosed please find original and four (4) copies of a Section 63.71 Application, filed by ABS-CBN Telecom, North America Incorporated ("ABS-CBN").

Please date stamp the Stamp and Return Copy and return it to me in the enclosed, self-addressed, postage prepaid envelope.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanna Georgatsos Wallace  
Counsel for ABS-CBN Telecom, North America Incorporated

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Section 63.71 Application of )  
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**SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION**

ABS-CBN Telecom, North America Incorporated ("ABS-CBN" or "Applicant") hereby seeks authorization pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), 47 U.S.C. § 214, and Section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue its provision of ABS-CBN's Long Distance Direct ("LDD") "Dial-Around" service within the following states: Arizona, California, Illinois, Nevada, New York, Pennsylvania, and Texas. In support of this Application, ABS-CBN submits the following:

**I. Information Required by Section 63.71(a)(1)-(4)**

**A. Name and Address of Carrier:**

ABS-CBN Telecom, North America Incorporated  
150 Shoreline Drive  
Redwood City, California 94065-1400

For purposes of this Application, the Commission may contact:

Kerwin Du  
ABS-CBN Telecom, North America Incorporated  
150 Shoreline Drive  
Redwood City, California 94065-1400  
Kerwin\_Du@abs-cbn.com  
(650) 508-6106

**B. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance**

Applicant will discontinue the LDD service on January 1, 2014.

**C. Point of Geographic Areas of Service Affected**

Applicant proposes to discontinue the provision of its LDD service in Arizona, California, Illinois, Nevada, New York, Pennsylvania, and Texas.

**D. Brief Description of Type of Service Affected**

The service affected by the proposed discontinuance is ABS-CBN's "Long Distance Direct" ("LDD") service. The LDD service is a post-billed, long distance Dial-Around service for international and domestic long distance calling. All customers of ABS-CBN's LDD service must already have a pre-subscribed local and long distance carrier in order for the LDD Dial-Around service to function; as a "Dial-Around" service, consumers use ABS-CBN's LDD service to by-pass their presubscribed service provider, but the service does not supplant such presubscribed services. Wherefore, as a non-pre-subscribed "Dial-Around" service, the planned discontinuance of service will have no impact whatsoever on a customer's ability to place telephone calls with its existing provider of domestic and international long distance services.

**E. Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers**

On October 15, 2013, Applicant sent written notice to affected customers by first-class mail in accordance with the requirements of Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules, informing them that the Company will cease provision of the LDD service, effective January 1, 2014. As described above, ABS-CBN's LDD service is a "Dial-Around" service that does not supplant the customer's presubscribed carrier(s), and, therefore, the proposed discontinuance will have no impact on consumers. Nevertheless, Applicant's customers can choose from widely available alternatives for domestic and international long-distance services, and will not be

adversely affected by discontinuance of the LDD service. A sample of the notice sent to Applicant's customers is attached as **Exhibit A**.

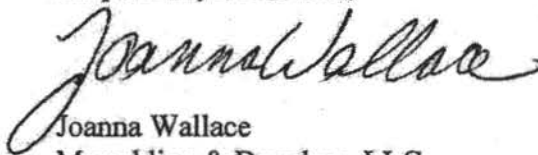
**F. Whether the Carrier is Considered Dominant or Non-Dominant with Respect to the Service to be Discontinued, Reduced or Impaired**

Applicant is considered non-dominant with respect to the affected services.

In accordance with Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules and concurrent with this filing, a copy of this Application is being mailed to (i) the Governors and Public Service Commission's of Arizona, California, Illinois, Nevada, New York, Pennsylvania, and Texas, and (ii) to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications for the Secretary of Defense.

Additional questions regarding this application should be addressed to the undersigned.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joanna Wallace', written in a cursive style.

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**EXHIBIT A**

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Dear Valued LDD Customer,

We hope this finds you well.

It is with regret that we inform you that, effective 12:00 am of January 1, 2014, ABS-CBN Telecom North America, Inc. ("ABS-CBN") will be permanently discontinuing its Long Distance Direct ("LDD") international dial-around service. As a "dial around" service, the planned discontinuation will not impact your ability to place telephone calls using your existing provider of long distance services.

We thank you for patronizing LDD, whether as a benefit of your TFC subscription or through paid minutes. We are proud to have been in service for the last 13 years.

To help you affordably remain connected with your loved ones back home, we are happy to offer you SARIMANOK ONE\* - another Kapamilya phone service of ABS-CBN. A Personalized Identification Number (PIN) has been assigned to you that entitles you to a one-time FREE 10 MINUTE CALL to the Philippines. To claim your PIN, simply send an email with your name and phone number to [customerservice@seabs-cbn.com](mailto:customerservice@seabs-cbn.com). On the subject line of your email, please write FREE SARIMANOK. A reply will be sent to you containing your personal PIN. Emails requesting for a PIN must be received on or before December 15, 2013. The free minutes may be used until January 31, 2014.

No action is required if you are currently subscribed to a provider of long distance service. We believe all customers of ABS-CBN's LDD service are pre-subscribed to other providers of long distance service, as the LDD service is a "Dial Around" service which by-passes your current carrier. However, if you do not subscribe to another long distance service, you must select a long distance carrier as quickly as possible, and no later than 20 days prior to January 1, 2014, or you may lose long distance service.

You can usually find a list of long distance service providers in your local telephone directory.

For any question regarding the discontinuation of your LDD, please call our Customer Service desk at 1-800-345-2465 Toll Free.

We thank you for your business and patronage.

All the Best,



Kevin Du

Director for Operations  
ABS-CBN Telecom North America, Inc.  
150 Shoreline Drive  
Redwood City, CA 94065

FCC Required Notice:

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireless Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the 9-6371 Application of ABS-CBN Telecom North America, Inc. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

If you would prefer not to receive any form of communication, including product or service updates or promotional offers, from ABS-CBN and any of its affiliates or subsidiary companies, please send an email to [customerservice@seabs-cbn.com](mailto:customerservice@seabs-cbn.com) with your name and file subject (082087C2002). We will delete your name from our mailing list. "Subscriber One" is an affordable, unadaptable, long distance phone card. Its connection fees, its hidden charges, its monthly fees, for more details about Subscriber One, visit [www.seabs-cbn.com/products](http://www.seabs-cbn.com/products).

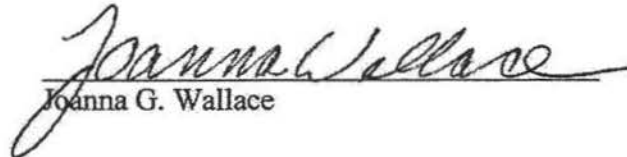
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 17 day of October, 2013, I served a copy of the forgoing Section 63.71 Application by U.S. Mail posted prepaid to the following on the attached list.

  
Joanna G. Wallace

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